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a most learned speech, which drew tears from near all present, ask'd the dreadful question (To wit) if he could shew cause why sentence of death should not pass upon him, which so shocked the prisoner, that for some time the organs of speech had left him till at length he spoke to this effect, that he was guilty of the charge and pray'd mercy. Jan'y 18th 1788 was then appointed for the execution. The time arriving he pray'd a week which was granted, and on Jan'y 25 he was executed at the Gallows in Richmond and buried in this county.

Tis to be noted that the above Posey served in this county as a Magistrate sometime and once represented it in the General Assembly.

THE THRUSTON FAMILY OF VIRGINIA.

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The following, in correction of the article published in last number, is suggested by R. C. Ballard Thruston, of Louisville, Ky.:

"1*st.* Malachias Thurston, instead of Thruston. He lived at West Buckland, near Wellington, and his old home is still standing. On the tombstones and tablets in the church there the name is spelled both ways, and there, as at Bristol, both with and without a terminal *e*, though the record book was without this *e*.

"2*nd.* The only town in Wilts county, which could have been referred to, is Heytesburg, so far as the maps show.

"3*rd.* John Thruston had sixteen children by his first wife, Thomasine Rich, and eight by his second. Your article would indicate twenty-four by the first, unless the reader were to count them from the following copy of the record.

"4*th.* Your list of those who arrived at the age of 21 is wrong. Justian died at the age of 11, and the names of (19) Grace, (20) Rachael, and (24) Sara were omitted, their deaths, as well as those of (7) Ann, (8) Malachy, (16) Justian, and (24) James, not being recorded."

After the death of John Thruston, the chamberlain, the book came to the hands of his son, Dr. Edward Thruston. In the Norfolk county records there is a power of attorney from "Edward Thruston, of Long Ashton, in the county of Somersett, Chyrurgeon," to Walter Bayley, of Long Ashton aforesaid, shipwright, to dispose of his interest by courtesy in "the plantation at Martin's Hundred in James River, which I hold by right of my former wife, Anne, the daughter of Mr. Thomas Loveing, of Martin's Hundred, merchant, now deceased." To this power is an addition by

Walter Bayley, in 1696, appointing Malachy Thruston and Mr. William Sherwood, of James City, attorney-at-law, his substitutes. In the same connection there is recorded a note of Edward Thruston, in which "he gives his service to Mr. William Whittaker," an early resident of Martin's Hundred, whose descendants still live in the neighborhood.

This Booke Coming to my hands I thought good to incert the marryages, Berths, Buriall and Christenings of those that doe & did appertaine to my ffamily by The name of Edward Thruston, son of ye aboves'd Mr John Thruson Disceased

Memorandu—y^t I was married to Anne Loveing daughter of Thomas Loveing[1] m^rchant the 28th day of octob. 1666 at Martins hundred in Virginia.

Memorandu—My daughter Thomasine was Borne the 28th of November 1670 & dyed the 5th of Decembe^r following

Memorandu—that I married my second wife (Susanna Perry the daughter of Mr Nicholas Perry lawyer) the third day of Septemb^r 1671 at the Pish Church of St. Thomas by Mr Humphry Brent minister

Mr Nicholas Perry lived at Great Marlow in y County of Bucks

My second wife dyed the 2^d day of August 1683 & was buryed in the Pish Church of Ashton

Memorandu—my second daughter Thomasine was borne the 6th day of July 1672 being Saturday at noon; my ffather my sister Stratton & my Sister Gibbs Gossips

My second daughter Thomasine dyed the 18th day of February 1673.

Memorandu—this 26th day of May 1675 about 9 of the clock in the forenoon being Wednesday my wife was delivered of a daughter & the 29th Instant (being the Kings Hallowday) she was Baptized at the Pish Church of Temple, by the name of Elizabeth my Brother Gibbs, & Bro. Stratton Mrs Little for my cozen Peeter Wakelyes wife, & my Sister Hunt Gossips

But the Celebration of o^r Wedding was at Chepoakes in the same country Virginia by Mr Murry minister

She dyed in Bristoll the 17th of December 1670 and was buried at St. Thomas on the South side of my mother.

Memorandu—My son John Thruston was borne in Martins hundred pish in Virginia the 2^d day of December 1668 on Wednesday about 3 of the clocke in the morning: Mr William Whittaker, Mr Richard Whittaker who stood for Mr John Groves, & Mr John Reed Gossips, & Mrs Ann Ramsey the other Gossips

My son John Thruston was married the 23th of September 1690 to Ellinor late wife of Mr John Cary m^rchant deceast; they were married att Chew by Dr Cory viccor of Chew

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[1] Thomas Loveing was a prominent settler, and in 1639 he is reported as having married the widow of Thomas Kingston, factor for Thomas Covell, of London, merchant. In 1657-'58 he was a burgess from James City. Appointed Surveyor-General of Virginia, and died before 1665, when he was succeeded in that office by Edmund Scarburgh.

December this 13 1677 Mary the daughter of Edw and Susanna Thruston was borne between 3 & 4 in the morning on thursday and baptyesed the Sunday following Mrs Mary Thruston, Mrs Wakley & Mr Barien Gossips I was then att Levornia called in English Leghorne in ye Straights in ye shipp James of London.

This 5th day of ffebruary 167$\frac{9}{80}$ my wife was delivered of a son between 2 & 3 of the clock in the morning being Thursday. The child was Baptized att home in my house att Boorrow Ashton ye 13th of the same month by Mr ffauster minister the Gossips were Mr Tho. Sealy Mr Samuell Hunt, Mrs Everard & Mrs Wellsteed th(e) child was named Edward.[1]

Memorandum—y 26th day of August 1691 my son John's wife was delivered of a daughter being Wednesday about 9 of the clock att night & baptized by the name of Justina. In the year 1713 she came to Virginia to receive her Estate at Martins hundred with husband John James

My daughter Elizabeth being marryed to Mr John Ashley vicar of Willcott y 10th of Septembr 1701 she was delivered of a Daughter Aprill ye 30th 1703 as above my sister Godmother and named Jane.

MARRIAGE BONDS IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Charles Lee and Joanna Morgan, May 7, 1753—Geo. Medlicott. Permission of W. Morgan for his dau's marriage.

Henry Washington and Anne Thacker, Jan. 9, 1749—Henry Willis.

Mann Page and Alice, dau. of the Honble John Grymes, Esqr, Dec. 29, 1741—R. N. Burwell. Consent of John Grymes, Dec. 29, 1741, to his dau's m.—with fine impression of seal with Grymes arms.

Beverley Randolph and Agatha Wormely, Jan. 21st, 1742—Ralph Wormeley.

John Tayloe, Jr., Rd. Co. and Rebecca, eldest dau. of George Plator, Esq., of St. Mary's Co., Md.; May 21st, 1747—Richard Corbin.

Christopher Robinson and Sarah Wormeley, May 6, 1752—Christopher Curtis.

John Falkner [mark] and Judith Fearn, Nov. 20, 1747—Wm. Owen.

John Armistead and Mary, dau. of Armistead Churchill, Esq., Nov. 23d, 1749—Willm Churchill.

David Asselin, of Glouc., and Eliz. Stubblefield, Oct. 19, 1750—Tho. Laughlin.

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[1] This is Edward of Norfolk, grandfather of Col. Charles Mynn Thruston of the Revolution.